

## THE WORSHIP OF GOD

Fifteenth Sunday after Pentecost

*The Worship of God begins with the Opening Voluntary.  
As you enter, pause for a moment to become aware of God's presence.*

September 22, 2019

Eleven o'clock in the morning

### MEDITATION

The painful truth is that we are not the people we envision ourselves to be—not always. We do not live up to the convictions we profess to be the basis for our lives—not always. We may be in tune to the “justice of the Lord” in some areas of our lives, but I guarantee that there are others where we are not, and we are clueless about that fact. Jeremiah calls us to ask not “Where is God?” but “What have I done?”—to pull back the veil of our appearance of godliness so that we can find the way to real healing.

—A. Brehm

### LIGHTING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

Ella Glaze and John Hubbard

### VOLUNTARIES

*Basse et Dessus de Trompette  
Adagio*

L.-N. Clérambault  
Roger Nyquist

### INTROIT

Humphrey Clucas

Cantor: O Lord, open thou our lips.  
Choir: And our mouth shall show forth thy praise.  
Cantor: O God, make speed to save us.  
Choir: O Lord, make haste to help us.  
Cantor: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
Choir: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end.  
Amen.  
Cantor: Praise ye the Lord.  
Choir: The Lord's Name be praised.

\*PROCESSIONAL HYMN 481 *Praise the Lord, God's Glories Show* LLANFAIR

### \*CALL TO WORSHIP

Sandy Rooney

Though our hearts may be grieving, we come risking joy.

**God is our balm.**

Though we weep over woes of the day, we are here seeking hope.

**God soothes our discomfort.**

Though our lives are often difficult, we gather for strength.

**God restores our souls and cares for us.**

**God calms our anguish and dries our tears.**

Let us call on the Holy One, and rejoice in God,  
ever our source of solace in our daily journey,

**ever our comforter in times of trial.**

### \*INVOCATION AND OUR LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be Thy name.  
Thy kingdom come. Thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven.  
Give us this day our daily bread, and forgive us our trespasses  
As we forgive those who trespass against us.  
And lead us not into temptation but deliver us from evil.  
For Thine is the kingdom and the power and the glory, forever. Amen.**

*\*Please stand if you are able*

### RITUAL OF FRIENDSHIP

OLD TESTAMENT LESSON Jeremiah 8:18-9:1 (p. 619)

Cathy Wilson

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### \*GLORIA PATRI

HYMN 579

**Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;  
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be  
World without end. Amen. Amen.**

NEW TESTAMENT LESSON 1 Timothy 2:1-7 (p. 963)

The Word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

### ANTHEM

*Give Almes of Thy Goods*

Christopher Tye

Give almes of thy goods, and turn never thy face from any poor man:  
and then the face of the Lord shall not be turned away from thee.

### CALL TO PRAYER

Rev. Anna Perry Miller

Because you are our strength, O God, let us be confident, sure of you, and  
alive in the power of your word.

**Because you are our strength, O God, let us be humble, aware of our  
own disobedience, cowardice, and dullness.**

Because you are our strength, O God, let us be free from anxiety, trusting  
you, because you know us, love us, and will bring us to our eternal destiny.

**Because you are our strength, O God, let us be faithful, patient before  
you, hearing your word, and following your command.**

Because you are our strength, O God, let us be still. You, Holy One, are  
our refuge and exalted Lord.

**Lord, hear our prayers and let our cries come unto you.**

—from Psalm 96

### PASTORAL PRAYER

\*HYMN OF DEVOTION *There is a Balm in Gilead*

BALM IN GILEAD

There is a balm in Gil-e-ad to make the wound-ed whole,

there is a balm in Gil-e - ad to heal the sin-sick soul.

1. Some times I feel dis-cour-aged and think my work's in vain,  
2. If you can -not preach like Pe - ter, if you can-not pray like Paul,

Refrain  
but then the Ho -ly Spir - it re-vives my soul a - gain.  
you can tell the love of Je - sus and say, "He died for all."

Text and Tune: African-American Spiritual

### \*OFFERTORY SENTENCES

Rev. Marnie Fisher-Ingram

### ANTHEM AT OFFERTORY

*All Ye Servants of the Lord*

Robert Elmore

All ye servants of the Lord praise the Lord.  
Ye that dwell in the house of the Lord,  
Even in the courts of the house of our God.  
Lift up your hands in the sanctuary, and praise the Lord.  
Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is,  
for brethren to dwell together in unity!  
It is like as the dew of Hermon, which fell upon the hill of Zion.  
For there the Lord that made heaven and earth,  
Promised blessing and life forevermore.

### \*PRESENTATION OF OFFERINGS

Doxology, HYMN 592

**Praise God from whom all blessings flow;  
Praise God, all creatures here below;  
Praise God above, ye heavenly host;  
Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.**

*Children in grades 1-3 may meet Mrs. Sandy Rooney  
at the front of the Sanctuary, on the pulpit side, to continue worship in the Chapel.*

### SERMON

*There is a Balm in Gilead*

Rev. Dr. Daniel Glaze

### TIME OF REFLECTION AND RESPONSE

*If you desire to become a member of River Road Church, you are invited  
to come forward to the chancel steps at this time, and our pastor will meet you.*

\*RECESSIONAL HYMN 396 *O for a Closer Walk with God*

CAITHNESS

### \*BENEDICTION

### EXTINGUISHING OF THE ALTAR CANDLES

### VOLUNTARY

*Prelude and Fugue in E minor (Small)*

Nicolaus Bruhns

WELCOME TO RIVER ROAD CHURCH! Our congregation is an open fellowship gladly receiving those who wish to share in its life and community by request for baptism, statement, or transfer from another church. If you desire to become a member, you are invited to come forward during the *Time of Reflection and Response*, or speak with a minister at anytime.

WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS! We hope you feel especially welcome among us. During the *Ritual of Friendship* portion of our service, you will hear about upcoming opportunities and ministries as well as expressions of concern. In these moments, please locate and sign the friendship register in the maroon guestbook, passing it along your row. You are asked to offer some contact information so that we might further welcome you. Take notice of those who sign in around you, that you might greet one another following the service.

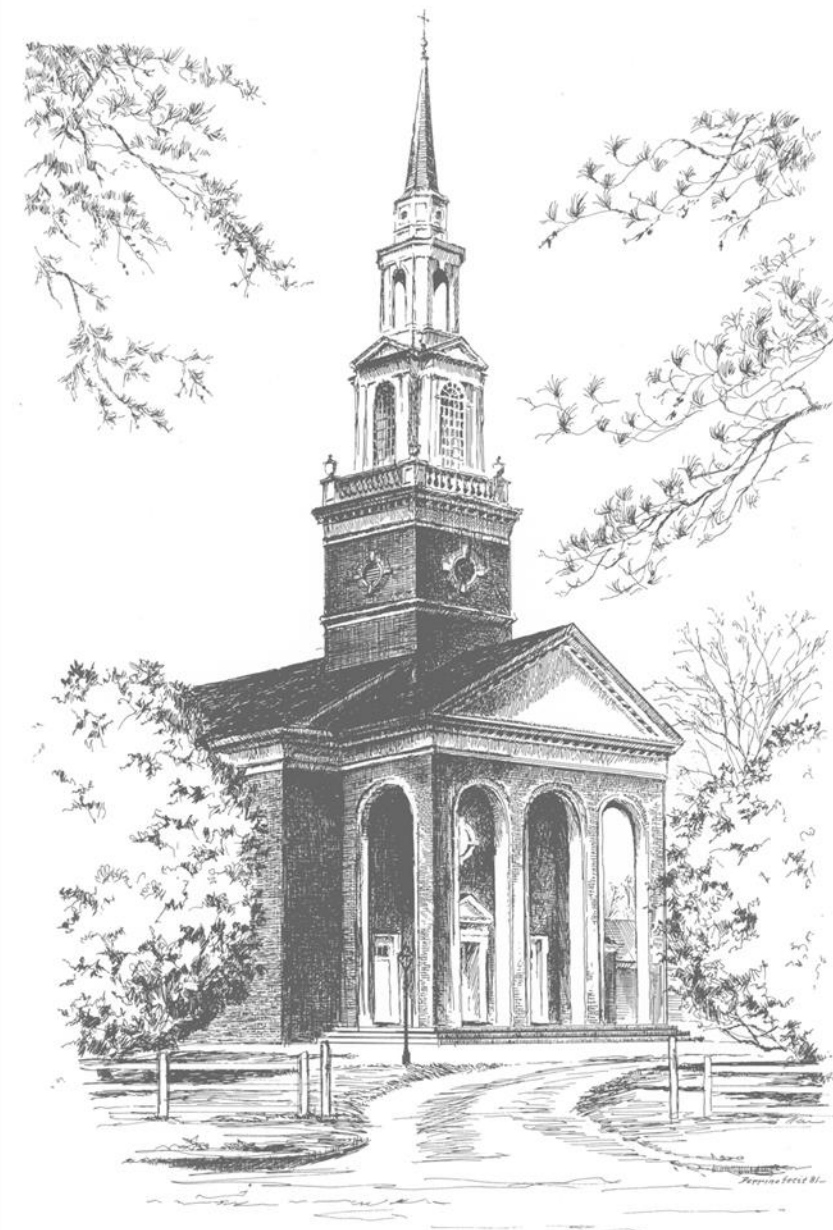
THIS IS THE SEASON AFTER PENTECOST in the Christian year. Having celebrated the birthday of the church through the giving of the Holy Spirit on the Day of Pentecost, we enter the Season after Pentecost for 24 weeks, to celebrate the existence of the church and recall her mission in the world. The liturgical color for the season is green, symbolic of the church's growth and mission.

TO ENHANCE WORSHIP FOR CHILDREN, age-appropriate children's bulletins and pencil pouches are in the narthex (foyer at the back of the Sanctuary).

THE ALTAR FLOWERS are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robert E. Shepherd, Jr. by his family.

THE RECEPTION AFTER WORSHIP is held in the Fellowship Hall. It is hosted by deacons Jean Cauble, John Heisler, Ray Nelson, and Alisa Parris. Everyone is invited to attend, especially our guests in worship today.

DISHWASHERS ON WEDNESDAY NIGHTS — Two Wednesday dishwashers are needed beginning in October. Dishwashers volunteer once per month and are typically done by 7:00 p.m. Contact Betty Damon at [badamon25@gmail.com](mailto:badamon25@gmail.com) if you are interested.



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**PASTORAL LEADERSHIP**

Daniel E. Glaze, D.Min., *Pastor*  
F. David Breckenridge, D.Min., *Minister of Pastoral Care*  
Marnie L. Fisher-Ingram, M.Div., *Associate Pastor for Youth and Their Families*  
Robert P. Gallagher, D.M.A., *Minister of Music*  
Daniel H. Ingram, M.Div., *Minister of Administration*  
Anna Perry Miller, M.A.C.E., *Associate Pastor for Adult Discipleship*  
Sandy K. Rooney, M.Ed., *Minister to Children and Their Families*  
James H. Slatton, Th.D., *Pastor Emeritus* Michael J. Clingenpeel, Ph.D., *Pastor Emeritus*  
E. Carl Freeman, Jr., Mus.B., *Minister of Music Emeritus*  
Chester L. Phelps, Jr., M.A., *Minister of Youth Emeritus*

Sun, September 22 **Reception**, 12:00 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
**Nominating Committee**, 12:15 p.m., LC 102  
**Stewardship Committee**, 3:30 p.m., UC 230  
**River Road Camerata**, 4:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room  
**Chancel Bell Choir**, 5:00 p.m., Bell Room  
**Youth Choir**, 5:00 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room  
**Youth Snack Supper**, 5:45 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
**Youth Program**, 6:15 p.m., Youth Area

Mon, September 23 **Women's Bible Study: Joyful Hearts**, 9:30 a.m., LC 102  
**Yoga**, 5:45 p.m., Assembly Room

Wed, September 25 **Men's Group: The Huddle**, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room  
**Building & Property Council**, 4:30 p.m., UC 230  
**River Road Camerata**, 4:30 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room  
**Wednesday Night Dinner**, 5:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
**TFC-Kids: Pre-K to 5th Grades**, 5:45 p.m., UC 228  
**TFC-Youth**, 6:00 p.m., Youth Area  
**Cherub Choir**, 6:15 p.m., UC 232  
**Carol Choir**, 6:15 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room  
**Crusader Choir**, 6:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room  
**TFC-Adults**, 6:15 p.m., Assembly Room

Thurs, September 26 **FIXERS**, 8:00 a.m., Reception Room  
**Book Lovers**, 7:30 p.m., LC 102  
**Chancel Choir Rehearsal**, 7:30 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room

Fri, September 27 **Youth Fifth Quarter**, 9:30 p.m., Youth Area

Sat, September 28 **Preschool Fun Morning**, 10:00 a.m., Lower Commons

**Thoughtful Faith Community — Wednesday, September 25, 4:30-7:00 p.m.**

**Dinner**, 5:15-6:15 p.m., Fellowship Hall  
**Menu:** Cranberry-Walnut Stuffed Pork OR Cranberry-Walnut Stuffed Portobello, Creamy Mashed Potatoes, Rosemary Roasted Squash, 5-Spice Cake w/ Matcha Icing  
**Kids Entrée:** Popcorn Chicken & Tots

**River Road Camerata**, 4:30-5:15 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room  
**TFC-Kids**, 5:45-6:15 p.m., UC 228: Missions Education  
**TFC-Youth**, 6:00-7:00 p.m., Youth Area: Games & Dessert  
**Cherub Choir**, 6:15-6:45 p.m., UC 232: preschool and kindergarten  
**Carol Choir**, 6:15-7:00 p.m., Youth Rehearsal Room: 1st and 2nd grades  
**Crusader Choir**, 6:15-7:00 p.m., Main Rehearsal Room: 3rd-5th grades  
**TFC-Adults**, 6:15-7:00 p.m., Assembly Room:

“This is Us, RRCB” with the Breckenridge Family  
An interview with David and Leigh Ann Breckenridge...maybe even a graced event with the presence of one child or more. David joined our staff as the Minister of Pastoral Care in April, moving here from Memphis. He is continuing his studies at William and Mary as he ministers among us. Come get better acquainted with them and learn about their family, what brought them here, and what they enjoy.

**Parent Seminar: Mindful Screen Time for Healthy Families**  
**Sunday, September 29, 6:00-7:30 p.m. in the Assembly Room**

With the increasing prevalence and usage of smart devices in our culture, the introduction of these technologies in our children's lives can feel inevitable and overwhelming. Through discussion of emerging research as well as her experience on the front lines counseling college students at VCU, Nina Schroder, MSW, LCSW, will provide parents with helpful insight into the potential cognitive, social, and mental health effects of high screen use, and share practical strategies for parents to confidently promote a healthy and mindful approach to screen use and well-being for the entire family. Please extend this invitation to a friend, family member, or neighbor for whom you believe this may be a helpful resource. There is no charge for this event but we do need to have a participant count and plan for childcare. FREE tickets are available on Eventbrite at [rrcb.org/parentseminar](http://rrcb.org/parentseminar).

**Together as One (1 Cor. 12:25-27)**

**Alma Hunt Offering for Virginia Baptist Missions**  
**River Road Church Goal: \$3,000**

Many from Virginia for over ten years, including groups from RRCB, have gone to build relationships and share concern and love of Christ with the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe of The Dakotas. Full time minister on site, Pastor Buford “Boots” Marsh, sends his greetings and thanks to WMUV and Virginia Baptists for extending the gospel to his people. He asks that we pray for a future which is full of hope and increased discipleship in the people of Standing Rock and give to the Alma Hunt Offering. Specially marked envelopes are in the pew racks.

**E. Carl Freeman Concert Series at River Road Church**

Please join us for our two upcoming concerts. Tickets for both concerts are available at [rrcb.org/eventbrite](http://rrcb.org/eventbrite).

**Organ Recital – Robert Gallagher**

**Sunday, October 6 at 4:00 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

*Opening event of the 47th Annual Convention of the American Institute of Organbuilders*

Works by Bach, Schumann, Langlais, Mary Beth Bennett, and Sowerby

**Chanticleer**

**Saturday, October 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the Sanctuary**

*Chanticleer performs TRADE WINDS: Songs from exotic climes and the music of seagoing peoples*

Tickets are \$35 per person and must be purchased through Eventbrite. We will only accept printed tickets at the door. This event is likely to sell out, and tickets will not be sold at the door.